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In re Application of:

Fumio ABE et al.

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For: HEATER AND CATALYTIC CONVERTER

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to further examination of the application, please undertake the following changes:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add new claims 15 to 19:

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16/ 15. (New) The adsorbent structure of claim 3, wherein said high-silica zeolite in said adsorbent structure is not poisoned by water present in exhaust gas.

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